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REMARKS

Claims 2-8, 10-15, 21, and 24 remain in the application and stand allowed. Claims 1, 9, 16 and 17 were previously canceled. Claims 18-20, 22, and 23 are cancelled herewith. No new matter is added. This Amendment is being filed with a fee for one (1) month extension of time and is directed to an Office Action mailed January 9, 2006. Further, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees that may be required for this paper or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-2179.

Cancellation of claims 18-20, 22 and 23 without prejudice or disclaimer is being requested so only allowed claims 2-8, 10-15, 21, and 24 are pending.

Accordingly, applicants believe that all pending claims are allowable and respectfully request a Notice of Allowance for this application from the Examiner.

Should the Examiner believe anything further may be required, the Examiner is requested to contact the undersigned attorney at the telephone number listed below for a telephonic or personal interview to discuss any other changes.

Respectfully submitted,

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